City of Norfolk

Proclamation

WHEREAS, since 1985, the President and Congress has designated the first full week of May as Public Service Recognition Week to honor the men and women who serve America as federal, state and local government employees; and

WHEREAS, these men and women contribute significantly to the quality of life for the citizens they serve, and their commitment to excellence and diversity of skills are an invaluable resource for providing the various services expected by our citizens; and

WHEREAS, public service is a noble calling of a wide variety of challenging and rewarding professions – from diplomacy and environmental protection to local sanitation and public education – all essential to the efficient and effective operation of government; and

WHEREAS, many of these public servants – including military personnel, law enforcement officers, firefighters, paramedics, health care professionals and others – courageously risk their lives each day in service to the community, across the United States, and around the world; and

WHEREAS, in celebration of the national Public Service Recognition Week May 3rd – 9th, the City of Norfolk encourages excellence among public employees and promotes interest in civil service careers by designating the entire month of May as a time to honor its approximately 5,000 public servants who are dedicated to serving as the City's workforce;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAUL D. FRAIM, Mayor of the City of Norfolk, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2015 as

PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION MONTH

in the City of Norfolk and encourage all citizens to recognize the accomplishments and contributions of all government employees, and to applaud, in particular, the local public servants whose dedication, diligence and professionalism keep our city a thriving community.

Given under my hand this 27th day of April 2015.

PAUL D. FRAIM, MAYOR